

**Amendments to the Abstract:**

Please replace the Abstract paragraph on page 24 with the following:

The present invention enables recovery of data reading, even ~~when TA or~~  
when thermal asperities or defective medium that media will make it impossible to increase  
the number of retries or to read the ~~data part data~~, occur in the AGC/PLL part. In a device for  
writing and reading information, when an error occurs in the region of the recording media  
where the AGC/PLL signal is written, and if that information is written continuously to  
several sectors, then data reading is performed by using the AGC/PLL ~~part of the~~ of the  
following sector, without performing a retry, or by performing a minimum number of retries.